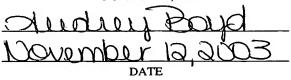


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AMENDMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed August 12, 2003, setting forth a three-month shortened statutory period for reply.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

The Information Disclosure Statement begins on page 8 of this paper.